

**AVAILABILITY COMMITTEE-FREDERICK COUNTY HEALTH CARE COALITION  
MEETING SUMMARY  
September 26, 2007**

**Attendees:** Dr. Jackie Douge', Monica Grant, Leigh Joos, Renee Kytte, Raychene Michaels, Dr. Marilea Miller, Helen Monk

**Review of 8/22/07 Availability Meeting Summary** - No changes

**Review of Executive Committee Minutes** - Committee Information Sheet with committee objectives and accomplishments was drafted by Leigh and reviewed by several committee members; it will be copied with other committees' information for distribution at the large coalition meeting October 3rd

**Resource Guide** - Approved by committee members; will submit for posting on the coalition website; will also have copies made for distribution at the large coalition meeting if approved by the Executive Committee

**Uninsured Options Graph** - Discussed graph format proposed by Dr. Brookmyer of various programs for uninsured individuals; the group thought this might be useful but is limited in its existing form. It was suggested that perhaps, with some technical assistance, the graph could be utilized on a website from which users could "click" on a program listed and be directed to the program's contact information, website, and more specific details.

**Eligibility Guide** - The Prescription group has found a detailed eligibility guide for public health coverage programs which is to be reformatted and posted on the coalition's website.

**Grant Update** - A recap of the Kaiser grant of \$50,000 obtained by FCHD (in collaboration with the Frederick County Health Care Coalition) for the development of a Health Access Program which would provide primary and specialty care for residents with incomes <300%FPL through partnerships with local providers.

An application for a Community Foundation grant is being drafted to request funding for a part-time coordinator and start-up supplies for the program; this will be submitted October 1<sup>st</sup>, with award notification by Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**DHMH Dental Survey Update (Monica Grant)** - 170 dental providers are being contacted with assistance from Health Department personnel and volunteers; surveys should be completed by early October. Medical and mental health providers are also being surveyed by other community groups to gather data to be utilized in the determination of possible "medically underserved" areas of Frederick County.

**FMH Prenatal Clinic** - Questions/concerns raised regarding when the clinic will open and whether the committee can facilitate the process

**Upcoming Meetings** - Health Care Coalition Meeting with presentation of Community Health Profile, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4-6 PM, FMH, classroom area  
Availability Committee, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 4-5:30 PM, FMH, classroom area